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United Church

Church School, 10.30 a.m.
No better place for the children. Help the good work along.
Public Worship, 11.30 a.m.
Service will be in charge of the new minister, Rev. Geo. A. Shields, B.A. You are invited to be on hand to welcome him.
Rev. N. W. Whitmore, Minister

Leland and Social Plans

Public worship at Leland at 3.00 p.m., Social Plains, 7.00 p.m., will be conducted by the new minister, Rev. Geo. A. Shields, B.A. give him a good welcome.

Canada's Forest Fire Losses

Forest fire losses in Canada during 1927 were the lowest in recorded annals. In all, 3766 fires were reported in Canada during the last calendar year, and these burned over an area of 481,373 acres, the total damage and loss sustained being placed at \$1,390,055. This low record is equal to about twenty per cent of the loss suffered in 1926.

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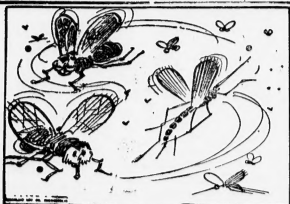
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A Large Attendance At Bindloss Sports

Empress Ball Team Take First Money In Final Game With Leland

A very large crowd assembled at the Bindloss picnic on Wednesday, June 27. The weather was fine and sunny and of the picnic kind. Some stampede events were pulled off, but chief interest centered in the baseball. Four teams were entered: Acadia Valley, Oyen, Leland and Empress. Leland disposed of Acadia Valley and Empress did likewise for Oyen. In the final game, Empress defeated Leland in an extra innings game by 10-8. Empress got away with a big lead in the early innings of the game only to sacrifice their lead by a series of errors and came within an ace of losing the game. A big dance at night concluded the day's festivities.

With the small amount of practice done by the Empress team, it is not a matter for surprise that errors should be common. It is perhaps a matter for surprise that the local team has done as well as it has. Three money contests have been played in, and first money has been won in two of them. However, a better brand of ball has to be produced if like results are to be gained in future contests.

The Leland team, which had a number of veterans of the game as members, gave a good account of themselves and were probably unfortunate in not picking off first money.

Wedding Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Boyd, announce the engagement of their daughter, Op'd Eileen, to Dr. A. McNall, of Empress, formerly of Saskatoon. The wedding will take place the latter part of July.

People are not offended by a little extra courtesy.

Farewell Social Evening

A farewell social evening was held in the United Church on Tuesday evening. The honored guests being Rev. and Mrs. Whitmore. A program of musical selections, vocal solos, duets, monologues and recitation was rendered by juvenile and adult members of the Church. Mr. T. Rowles acted as chairman for the evening. On behalf of the ladies, Miss A. G. Rowles, spoke briefly, chiefly concerning the W.M.S. and the work of Mrs. Whitmore and the wives of former ministers in connection therewith. At the conclusion of her speech, on behalf of the local society, she presented Mrs. Whitmore with a life membership to the W.M.S. of the United Church. Mrs. Whitmore made suitable reply.

At the conclusion of the program, the chairman, Mr. Rowles, spoke in a praise - worthy strain of the manner in which Mr. Whitmore had filled his duties while here and holding to his ideals. The need for religion in the life of today. The good wishes of this community would accompany Mr. Whitmore to his new charge for his further success.

In reply, Mr. Whitmore said, in preparing to leave the district the friendly ties which had been built up would not be broken. He hoped next year at the holiday season, to be able to visit here. He would always cherish memories of his home while here.

A dainty repast followed, after which those present shook hands with Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore and wished them every kind of happiness and success.

"We're In The Navy Now"

Two little boys in blue! Leather necks who scrub the decks and peel potatoes too!

Car For Every Nine Persons In Alberta

Alberta has 11 passenger automobiles per hundred of population, or approximately one car to every nine men, women and children in the province, according to figures issued from Ottawa during the past week. In this respect Alberta stands fourth among the provinces of the Dominion, Ontario leading with 21 cars per hundred of population and Saskatchewan and British Columbia following with 11.1 per hundred. Corresponding figures for the other provinces are New Brunswick, 5.4; Nova Scotia, 4.8; Prince Edward Island, 4.7 and Quebec, 3.8.

I am now making DELIVERIES

New Ford Car

Orders being filled in order as received. Will try and fill all orders on hand within a short time.

Factory deliveries are now well over the 300 mark daily, and I will get my share.

Yours for Real Ford Service.

N. D. Storey "The Ford Man"

Fourth Fortnightly Govt Crop Report

Issued by Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, June 23

Early seeded wheat is in shot blade in many sections of the province and all grains are making rapid and vigorous growth, according to telegraphic reports received on Friday by the Department of Agriculture, the fourth, fortnightly crop report of the season. The entire province has benefited by the rains which have been general during the past two weeks, and the setback which crops in some areas received as a result of delayed germination is rapidly being recovered, although some fields are somewhat patchy. Warm growing weather is now the most urgent requirement for crops to take full advantage of the abundant supply of moisture.

Never in the history of the province has a crop been sown under better conditions as far as high quality of seed and treatment for disease are concerned, and never has more concerted action been taken to keep fields free from noxious weeds.

Conditions are reported generally to be ideal for breaking and summerfallowing, and opinion is expressed that the acreage of new land brought under cultivation this season will again be of record proportions.

Some seven thousand acres have been seeded to sugar beets in the southern part of the province, and of this acreage fully one-third is reported to be showing a perfect stand, with the remainder giving promise of a good average crop.

Cutting of alfalfa and sweet clover has commenced in the south but has been interrupted to some extent by the rains. Very local hail damage is reported in one or two districts, but crops in the affected areas are making a good recovery. Practically no insect injury to crops has occurred with the exception of the appearance of wireworms in some northern districts.

Crops in the Peace River country are well advanced, and in view of the increased acreage under crop this year in the north, conditions generally are considered promising for heavy grain shipments next fall and winter.

An inch of gold cannot buy an inch of time.

Enjoy Yourself In A Smart Summer Suit

If You want constant Reassurance that your Smart appearance is formed on the Best of Taste as well as common-sense, by all means appear in a

Semi-Ready Co.'s Tailored Suit

See the Rainbow Fastcolor Worsted, the latest trend in fabrics now being shown at our store. Smooth - tailoring qualities and finish. No wrinkles.

"SANDY" The Jeweler and Clothier

U.F.A. Service Well Attended

A very well attended U.F.A. service was held at Social Plains last Sunday. Speeches were given by John Fawcett, T. C. Rogers and Rev. N. W. Whitmore. A social lunch at the close was made the opportunity for bidding farewell and God-speed to Rev. and Mrs. Whitmore.

Popular C.P.R.

Official Promoted

J. M. Cameron who for the past thirteen years has held the post of General Superintendent of the Calgary division of the Canadian Pacific Rail-way, has been promoted to the position of manager of C.P.R. lines on Vancouver, it is announced by Vice President, D. C. Coleman. The appointment will take effect on July 1, when Mr. Cameron will take up his headquarters at Victoria, succeeding Mr. Beasley who is retiring after 45 years service with the company.

Treasury Shows Substantial Surplus

The highly satisfactory condition of Alberta's finances is reflected in the announcement during the past week by Hon. R. C. Reid, Prov. Treasurer, that the treasury of the Province has a surplus of \$279,708.13 at the end of the fiscal year on March 31, 1928. According to the official estimates the Government expected to report a surplus for that period of only some \$46,112.21, an improvement showing at the end of the fiscal year, is felt to be cause for considerable satisfaction.

At the end of the calendar year, December 31 last, the interim statement showed a deficit of 216,980.33. This has not only been absorbed in the interval, but has been turned into a very substantial surplus when the accounts for the completed fiscal period are available. In future the accounts will all run to the end of March, in twelve month periods, this being the first year under the new financial system.

"NEVADA"

Add one more success to that striking list of Zane Grey western stories which have been stirring the hearts of men, women and children for years on printed page and screen. Its title is "Nevada," it's a Paramount picture, and it is showing at the theatre this week.

This picture is due to take its place with "The Thundering Herd," "Vanishing American," etc. In years gone by fame in the West depended on a man's shooting ability. The esteem and respect of one's fellow citizens was gauged by how well one handled his six-shooters. When a young man, grim of face, rode his horse down the main street of Lincolnville, Nevada, one day headed for the jail where his pal was incarcerated, everyone took to cover. Store keepers boarded up their places. The street was deserted, save for the lone rider.

At the fall the sheriff and a squad of his deputies waited anxiously, nervous over what might happen, but determined to put a stop to the two-gun activities of Nevada.

An exciting gun battle ensued which serves as one of the thrilling sequences in this Zane Grey photo story.

The Well Dressed Man

The young woman had just returned to her rural home from several years in the big city. She was exhibiting the contents of her trunk to the admiration and amusement of her mother, who for forty years had dressed in the old-fashioned way.

"And these," said the daughter, holding up a delicate silken garment, "are toadies."

"Toadies?" You don't say! Young men are certainly different from what they used to be."

George Will Be Here

Geo. Riddler and his five-piece orchestra will render the music at the dance on Wednesday, July 4. George promises a brand of music that will make everybody want to dance.

EMPRESS THEATRE

Showing this week:

ZANE GREY'S

'NEVADA'

with GARY COOPER

THELMA TODD

WILLIAM POWELL

and PHILLIP STRANGE

A stirring tale of the days when rustlers roamed the cattle country and two-gun men fought the law.

Rains Have Greatly Enhanced Crop Prospects Throughout The West

Winnipeg.—With the exception of a few points in south-western Alberta, generous rains throughout the west within the past week have greatly enhanced crop prospects according to a weekly survey of crop conditions issued by the agricultural department of the Canadian Pacific Railway here.

All crop is now in with the exception of some required for green feed. This is a considerable contrast to last year when it was well towards the end of June before seeding was finally accomplished. Earlier wheat is showing from four to six inches above the ground showing healthy stands and color, indicating good reserve of sub-soil moisture.

Rains have greatly aided growth of later wheat, oats and barley. While cutworms have been at work in some sections, the west in general has been singularly free from damage from this pest. Pastures are in excellent shape with plenty of feed for livestock.

Heavy rains over the whole of Manitoba, Thursday, have resulted in crop conditions being excellent. Previous to this crops in many areas were badly in need of rain.

Seed has gone into the ground under better conditions than for some years. Rain of two weeks ago resulted in even germination and recent rains assured similarly favorable conditions for balance of crop. Seeding operations have been completed with the exception of some required for green feed. The latter will be finished this week. No damage to the province has been reported from cutworms or other adverse circumstances. Pastures are in good condition.

Most of the Province of Saskatchewan received generous rainfall during the week, but more is required in the following subdivisions: Fort, from Milestone to Habbema; Stoughton, from Krona to Creelman; on Assiniboia, Assiniboia subdivisions and Shunaville line from Melville to Cadillac. Rains in these districts was beneficial but not sufficient to carry crop for any length of time. Seeding is completed throughout with the exception of green feed requirements. Stand of wheat and earlier grain is particularly promising, with healthy growth and color. Generally crop conditions of the province may be considered very good at this time for many years past. Fall rye, however, reported in poor condition in a few districts, prolonged dry spell forcing crop to be sown late and prematurely. Pastures for the same reason are somewhat poor but greatly aided by recent rains.

Liberal rainfall reported over whole of Northern Alberta and in less generous proportions in Central and Southern sections. Generally crop conditions are good, but more rain is needed. The only sub-division reported without rain was Shunaville between Wrentham and Maryberry.

Practically all seeding has been completed. Most of the work is being now up making the headway and remarkably free from weeds. Spring operations have been carried on without interruption since work commenced. Cutworms reported in Charolsham and Granum districts, these being the only two districts here.

South African Flag Question Was Cause Of Rioting At Capetown

Capetown, South Africa.—Reinforcements of police from all parts of the peninsula were drafted into Capetown to cope with the threatening situation which developed when a demonstration, said to have been instigated by natives, among colored workers, ran counter to the celebration of the 18th anniversary of the establishment of the Union of South Africa.

The celebration was historic because for the first time the new national flag was flown along with the Union Jack, and Premier J. H. M. Hertzog and General Jan Christian Smuts, former premier and present leader of the opposition, appeared on the same platform and delivered patriotic speeches.

Disorder witnessed very close quarters when excited crowds filled the streets and several violent incidents occurred. Colored people were prominent in the

pests reported doing any harm. Live-stock generally is improving with abundant harvest.

Record During March For Canadian Roads

Railways Carry More Freight Than In Any Previous March

Ottawa.—The Canadian railways carried more freight during March, 1928, than in any previous March. Gross revenues also were the largest earned in March, exceeding those of March, last year, by \$2,125,479, or 53.22 per cent. Although operating expenses were heavier than in 1927 by \$2,052,220, or 3.9 per cent, net revenues were larger by \$883,259. The large carry-over of March has been an important factor in the heavy traffic and earnings of the railways during the first quarter of 1928, the movement of grain to the Pacific ports being particularly heavy. The March payroll was heavier than in 1927 by \$1,017,135, and the average number of employees increased by 2,022.

The Canadian National Railways increase in gross revenues, compared with March, 1927, was \$708,717, or 4.5 per cent, for an increase in freight of four per cent, and a decrease in passenger traffic of 6.3 per cent.

The Canadian Pacific Railway gross returns for March were heavier than 1927 by \$1,554,448, or 8.8 per cent. Passenger and express revenues showed decreases but all other accounts were larger, freight by 12.5 per cent.

Inspection Satisfactory

Objection To Examination Of Immigrants By Canadian Doctors Unwarmed

Toronto.—"We have examined every single objection that has been raised by Canadian doctors against the present examination overseas by Canadian doctors of assisted passage immigrants and we have found one that will hold water," declared Dr. David Clark, assistant Deputy Minister of the Department of Natural Health, in an interview here.

Articles appearing in certain sections of the British press against the policy of having Canadian doctors conduct examination of immigrants were full of inaccuracies, he said.

"The causes of a decrease in immigration to Canada this year," continued Mr. Clark, "lie deeper than the medical inspection policy. One of the causes for the decrease of immigration from Great Britain, he felt, was the feeling of increasing optimism there.

Britain's New Colonies Issue London.—The Royal Mint of England, has issued four new silver coins, the designs for which were approved by the King's examination last November. The coins having the new design are the half-crown, florin, shilling and sixpence.

Tornado Near Kansas City Kansas City, Mo.—A tornado struck Englewood, a suburb between here and Independence, Mo. Two street cars were reported wrecked. Ambulances were sent to the scene.

New Mineral Discovery

Citizens Of Wabowden Leave Work To Make Claims

Saskatoon.—A "rush, in the nature of a small stampede," is now taking place to a new mineral discovery at Saskatoon, about seven miles from the Hudson's Bay Railway, and the entire population of Wabowden, mile 137, has hit the trail for that district.

The discovery was made a short while ago by a prospector named John Kelly, a well-known prospector. A well-known resident of Wabowden was informed of the approximate location, and he and a friend proceeded to stake claims to the limit of the regulation. The news, however, leaked out and a rush has started. The report states that samples procured show good value in silver lead with traces of copper. The main vein is 15 feet wide and has been traced for considerable distance. A quantity of the ore is being sent out for assay.

Replace Provincial Police

R.C.M.P. Have Taken Over Work Of Saskatchewan Force

Saskatoon, Sask.—The Saskatchewan Provincial police force passed into the pages of history as the mounted police activities being taken over by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Saskatchewan Division being under the direction of Inspector John Kelly, who transfers from the disbanded force to the "secret riders." Some other members of the force will join the R.C.M.P. while the following members of the latter force, located at the Saskatoon detachment for some time, will carry on: Sgt. A. Drysdale, Detachment Sergeant, C. E. Hildyard, and Constables T. Theriault and F. W. English. The first two have a long service record in the force, dating back to the old Northwest Mounted days.

General Council of Boy Scouts Meets

Encouraging Report Of Past Year's Work Was Submitted

Ottawa.—The annual meeting of the Canadian General Council of the Boy Scouts Association here heard encouraging reports of the past year in the Scout movement. Viscount Willingdon, as chief scout of Canada, presided, and the report of the executive committee was submitted by J. James W. Robertson, chief commissioner.

Most of the provinces were represented at the meeting. Nearly 15,000 Canadian Scouts were under canvas last summer, the section of the report on camping sets out.

Civil Aviation In Italy

Development Is Rapid and Country Holds Third Place In World

Rome, Italy.—Italy now ranks as the third country in the world for civil aviation. It comes immediately after Germany and France, in the order given, and is ahead of England, which occupies fourth place.

By the end of 1928 Italian air routes will total 2,915 miles over which daily passenger service in either direction is maintained. The whole field of civil aviation, ever since Italo Balbo became Under Secretary for Air, has been developing at such amazing speed that many miles already have been added to the total number of air routes.



Plane Service Cuts Two Days

Pilot J. H. St. Martin accepts the first shipments of parcels by the new Canadian Pacific air-express service. Bi-weekly in each direction between Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Rimouski, where the steamers are met, the new service cuts two days off the regular schedule. Domestic traffic between the cities mentioned is also accommodated to time-saving advantage.

May Receive Appointment

The possibility that a Canadian

will take the place on the permanent court of international justice of the Hague left vacant by the resignation of John Bassett Moore, of the United States, is now openly acknowledged in well-informed circles at Washington. Already, it appears, the name of Mr. Justice Hildell, of Toronto (above), as well-known almost in the United States as in Canada, is mentioned as a likely successor to the American jurist.

Bill Defeated In Senate

Government Measure To Amend Naturalization Act Thrown Out

Ottawa.—The Government bill to amend the naturalization act was killed in the Senate.

The bill would have placed authority for the granting of naturalization certificates in the hands of the secretary of state without its being necessary for the applicant to make prior application to courts, as now required.

The bill met stormy opposition in the Commons.

It was discussed at some length by the Senate recently in committee of the whole. Eventually Senator Laird moved that the committee rise. This was carried by 38 to 20. The effect was to kill the bill.

Senator Dandridge, Government leader, explained the measure, which he said would simplify procedure and prevent abuses. The state department had a well-trained staff to handle the work. Experience had shown that court inquiries on naturalization were absolutely useless.

A Martyr To Science

Noted Doctor Is Latest Victim Of Secret Research

London.—News was received here of the death of Dr. William Alexander Young, director of the South Coast Colony, Africa. Dr. Young was a co-worker with Dr. Hideo Noguchi, who died recently at Accra, of yellow fever, resulting from his yellow fever researches into the origin of that disease.

It is believed here that Dr. Young contracted the disease in the course of his researches with Noguchi. Young was of Scotch descent and had a long experience with tropical diseases. In 1924 at the comparative early age of 35 he was appointed to his present position.



Complain About Expenses

Ottawa.—Complaints of Canada House were heard in the House when a vote of \$70,000 for contingencies and \$30,000 for salaries for the high commissioner's office in London were under discussion. After considerable debate, the item carried.

United States Peace Plan Is Accepted In Note From Premier King

Ottawa.—"The proposals of the United States Government, by their directness and simplicity, afford to the peoples of the world a new and valuable opportunity of ensuring lasting peace."

In such words, Premier King has intimated to the Government of the United States that the Canadian Government will be prepared to recommend to the Dominion Parliament acceptance of the proposal Kellogg treaty to outlaw war. Premier King's reply to the United States invitation was handed to the United States minister on Wednesday.

In part only, the text of Premier King's reply, addressed to Hon. Wm. Phillips, United States minister to Canada, follows:

"I have the honor to acknowledge your note of May 22, extending to His Majesty's Government in Canada, the name of the government of the United States, an invitation to become one of the original parties to the treaty for the renunciation of war now under consideration."

"The Government of Canada is certain that it speaks for the whole Canadian people in welcoming the outcome of the proposed multilateral pact, of the discussion initiated almost a year ago between the governments of France and of the United States. It is pleased to find that this attitude is in accord with all His Majesty's other governments."

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"The Dominion of Canada, fortunate in its ties of kinship and allegiance as well as in its historic and neighborly friendships, and with half a continent as its heritage, is less exposed to the danger of attack or the temptation to aggression than many other lands."

"Yet the great war, with its burdens and suffering and of loss, brought home the danger which all countries share, and led Canada to turn with hope to the efforts to build up effective barriers against war."

Stops Operations Of Bogus Stock Salesmen

Ottawa.—More than one hundred

Toronto.—More than one hundred brokers, of doubtful repute, and high pressure security salesmen have been put out of business recently as a result of the clean-up campaign inaugurated by the Ontario Attorney-General's Department when the Security Fraud Prevention Act was put into force recently.

According to the department some of the offenders have been jailed, others are out on bail pending appeal, and a majority have been deported to the United States, from whence they came.

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The committee, under the chairmanship of J. J. Denis, Liberal, Joliet, considered their report, the fruit of several weeks of investigation into the Athabasca elections of 1925, where an inquiry by Mr. Justice Clarke, of Edmonton, established that corrupt and illegal practices had taken place.

The committee will recommend to the House that since the report of Mr. Justice Clarke discloses that the cause of the corrupt practices in Athabasca was due to the participation, ignorance and incompetency of certain election officials, the entire general should submit to the Department of Justice a full statement of the payments made to the aforesaid officials with a view to instituting proceedings for the recovery of the amounts so paid to such officials, if the law provides for such action.

which took shape in the League of Nations; it will welcome the present proposals as a manifestation of the same striving for peace.

It is also to be noted that the obligations of the covenant of the League would conflict in any way with the obligations of the proposed pact has been given careful consideration. His Majesty's Government in Canada regards the League, with all its limitations, as an indispensable and continuing agency of international understanding, and would not desire to enter upon any course which would prejudice its effectiveness.

"It is, however, convinced that there is no conflict either in the letter or in the spirit between the covenant and the multilateral pact, or between the obligations assumed under each."

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Ontario Joins Manitoba

In Legal Fight With Federal Government Over Regulation Of Securities

Toronto.—Amendment has been made by Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General for Ontario, that the province is joining with the province of Manitoba in the latter's legal fight against the Dominion Government over the question of certain rights in connection with the regulation of securities.

Edwin Bayly, K.C., Deputy Attorney-General, will leave for England June 15, and will appear with Hon. W. H. Price, K.C., in the case for Manitoba, when the case is heard by the Privy Council early in July.

Appointment Conciliatory Board

Ottawa.—A conciliation board has been appointed to investigate the car-penter's strike in Calgary. Mr. Justice Clarke will be chairman, James H. Gordon will represent the employers, Robert Hewitt, the men. The men are asking for an increase of 12½ cents an hour.

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Further, it is urged that the chief electoral officer should recommend to the proper authorities that elections be taken against all violators of the Dominion Elections Act.

Railways and Aircraft Companies In United States Join Hands To Supply Transcontinental Service

This aviation generation will probably not be able to annihilate space, but it is certainly destroying distance. Air lines to the other planets and the nearer stars are not yet in sight, but the stretches of the earth are being turned into aerial taxi-lands. Also, as man's habit when he is determined to cover great distances in brief time, the earlier hardships of swift travel are being eliminated. The latest combination of speed with comfort is announced in the formation of the "plane-train" service to Los Angeles from New York and return.

It has not yet been begun, but the personnel of its sponsorship assures its early establishment. Within a few weeks it will be possible to reach Los Angeles in forty-eight hours from New York, with two nights of sleep aboard a Pullman. Two railroads—the Pennsylvania and the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe—the two leading aircraft companies, Caudron and Wright—and many other banking houses have combined in the project. Capital stock up to \$5,000,000 has been subscribed with no public offering, and the company is about to publish its rates, its time schedules and the names of its pilots. The "planes," which will carry transcontinental passengers during the daylight hours, have a capacity of fourteen persons each; meals will be served in the cabin as on the Pullmans; and the tourists will be in their hotels at Los Angeles or New York before the light fades on the second day. It is part of the new miracle wrought by the union of science and finance, with "planes" and railroads acting as auxiliaries instead of rivals. Passage by air has become a conventional daily affair in Europe, where generally the scope of man's business interests requires a journey only from one country to another and without the handicap of such distances as we have here. To meet the spread of this broad band, the new combination has been devised by men equally responsible for management and for transportation. It may be only the beginning of an entirely new system of general travel in this country.

Trips to the moon will probably have to be left to succeeding generations, which will have left only the familiar spaces as their objective. But now like the second day, the train/plane almost leads ordinary citizens to expect a time when their children, Pullman cars by night, will take walks, carry day and, rising from the tracks, carry them through the air until night comes again.—New York Times.

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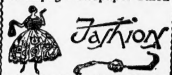
Title For Policy Of Record Of Performance Policy Is To Be Protected

The Department of Agriculture announces that the policy "R.O.P.," the popular title for the term of the Record of Performance for Poultry, has been copyrighted by the Dominion Live Stock Branch, from which office the policy is administered. The purpose of copyrighting is to prevent the fraudulent use of the term in advertising. The widespread popularity and demand for Record of Performance poultry have made the move necessary for the protection of farmers and poultrymen desiring to secure R.O.P. stock.

Many commercial hatcheries are using R.O.P. males to head the flocks from which they secure eggs, and while the Department is encouraging this practice, it also intends to insure that genuine R.O.P. stock is so used and advertised.

Definitions are at present being drafted defining the various classes of R.O.P. stock—females, males, chicks, pens, etc. These will be made public when adopted, and will be the official definitions under the discretionary power granted the Dominion Live Stock Branch through the copyright.

Winnipeg Newspaper Union



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POPULAR BRIDE-ELECT



Miss Margaret Fleming, of Ottawa, arrived in Quebec recently aboard the Camarer "Aubonne" en route to Ottawa, where she is soon to wed Vincent Hardinge, A.D.C. to his excellency the Governor-General.

Not Always To Blame

Increase Of Crime Not Attributed To Foreigners

The annual report of the Superintendent of Penitentiaries states there were 2,480 inmates at the close of 1927. Of these, 1,847 were born in British countries, and 633 in foreign countries. In detail it is stated that 1,540 were born in Canada, 177 in England and Wales, 40 in Ireland, 11 in Scotland and 29 in other British countries. Of the 633 foreign-born 209 were born in the United States but their antecedents are not given. As 62 per cent of the penitentiary inmates were born in Canada we should not blame foreigners unduly for the increase of crime.

To Study Disease Of Stars

W. P. Harper, assistant director of the Dominion Observatory at Victoria, B.C., told the members of the Royal Society of Canada, that at the Victoria observatory a study was being made to determine how far earth the stars were from mother earth.

Thomas' bull, before the birth of Christ are now lighted by electricity.

The wise woman doesn't crawl out until after the early bird has eaten his breakfast.

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Ultra Violet Rays Benefit To Poultry

Effects Greatly Increase Egg Production Says Vancouver Man

Newspaper reports from the East a few days ago told of the experiments being carried on by a university professor in studying the effects of ultra violet rays on poultry.

There is nothing new in this for Herbert Traflet, Vancouver poultry man, who has been using ultra violet rays in his henhouses for months. He says that he has not yet attempted to control the sex of offspring for hatching. He may carry on some experiments in this direction later.

"You can use too much rays of course, but when properly controlled it will work wonders with poultry," said Mr. Traflet. "It has increased egg production tremendously. Some of my hens that had been laying two or three eggs a week evidently with the idea that that was enough have, under the influence of ultra violet rays, taken a new outlook on life and laid eggs daily for eight or nine days at a stretch. Another advantage in the use of the rays is that it brings out the sex characteristics in chicks much earlier. And another thing: The rays are sure death to all parasites affecting poultry and in that way so complicate a great deal towards improving the health standards of the flock."

Farm Girls Win Prizes

Twelfth Annual Farm Girls Rally At University Of Saskatchewan

Prizes for the various judging competitions held in connection with the 12th annual farm girls' rally at the University of Saskatchewan recently were presented at the closing entertainment of the conference at Saskatoon.

Margaret Quilly and Margaret Gordon, comprising the Wilcox team, won the grand aggregate prize, the Saskatoon exhibition board cup which will be held for one year. Each girl also received books from the university. Mary Duke of Kennedy, was the individual winner.

Dairy products—Weyrum team: Ruth Peterson and Olive Pettit; individual, Ruth Peterson.

Bread—Kennedy team: Mary Duke and Alice Tillotson; individual, Beatrice Day, Moosehatch.

Poultry—Wilcox team: Margaret Quilly and Margaret Gordon, individual, Mary Baptiste, Lacrosse.

This year 120 girls entered the competitions.

A Toronto controller wants to know if there is any difference between stealing a dollar and stealing a million dollars. There is the trifling difference that one crime usually involves a term in jail.

A conspicuous sign displayed on a motorist's car.

The most extensive, interesting and readily accessible field for alpine climbers today is found in the Canadian Rockies, particularly the portions included in the national parks of Canada.

English Visitor Sees Excellent Prospects For the Growth of Sheep Industry In Canada

Mosquito Control

Circular Gives Instructions Regarding Permanent and Temporary Control

The females of the majority of species of mosquitoes drink blood, and warm-blooded animals and man are the sources of this particular form of mosquito food. This makes the mosquito an interesting subject for study, and a circular, just published by the Department of Agriculture, entitled "Mosquito Control in Canada," is timely.

While some of these predaacious insects only live for a few days others live for several weeks, and the best way to control them is to make an attack on their breeding grounds. The Entomological branch advocates in this circular the draining and filling in of low places where water accumulates, and the screening of receptacles holding water such as water-buckets. Temporary bodies of water formed by melting snow, rain and floods are common breeding places for mosquitoes.

"Mosquito Control in Canada," which may be obtained on application to the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, deals at length with the life history, permanent and temporary control measures, procedure in control campaigns, and protection from mosquito bites. Those who desire to identify the particular species common to their district may send specimens for identification to the Dominion Entomologist, Ottawa.

Canadian Handicraft Guild

Branch Has Been Formed To Carry On The Work In Alberta

A branch of the Canadian Handicrafts Guild has been formed in Edmonton, Alberta, to carry on the work in Alberta. This is the third branch of the Guild to be formed, Montreal and British Columbia having formed local Guilds during the winter. Formation of such branches is the aim of the Guild, which obtained a Federal charter as far back as 1908.

One of the most satisfactory things about my trip was that I met so many Yorkshiremen who had gone to Canada, and made a success of the enterprises upon which they had entered. Sometimes discouraging comments are made upon industry in the country, particularly in agriculture. I hope Canadian readers will not accept all such comments literally. I have seen many prosperous farmers in England.

"If Canada is to fill its place in the Empire it needs men of the same type to extend its pastoral and agricultural interests. Quite a large number of Englishmen with a good knowledge of the sheep of their native country have settled in Canada, and these should be able to give some good advice, particularly after they have lived long enough in Canada to become acquainted with its climatic peculiarities.

When I started out in the world I had but a dollar.

"What home do you live at?"

"Wired home for some more."

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A bright future for the Canadian sheep industry is painted by R. H. Hollings, editor of The Wool Record, of Bradford, the wool-marketing centre of England. Mr. Hollings visited this country in 1927.

"As I travelled through Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan, I could not help asking: 'Where are the sheep?'" writes Mr. Hollings. "Apart from passing a small flock or two on the train I had little opportunity of seeing them."

"It was too early to see any of the new clip, much as I desired to do so. The wool I saw was specially suitable for hosiery manufacture. This will always be a big market in Canada, the demand for making warm underclothes essential. The mills are evidently doing their best with the material available, and I was pleased to see that farmers were keeping a suitable type of sheep. I should say that the bulk of the wools range from 50 to 55 per cent. I was asked if I thought manufacturing mills are such that the flocks in Canada could be increased to 25,000,000, and undoubtedly this is the aim of the address."

"I have never known a time in the history of the wool trade when the outlook for sheep men was so encouraging as at length the statistics who anticipate lower prices. Wotton values are also good, and I think the outlook is of the best. While every other class of sheep has fallen in value in England during the past two or three years, those who have kept sheep have found both mutton and wool to sell well. I would appeal to every Canadian farmer to keep as many sheep as possible, because I think it will pay him to do so. Since returning home I have given three lectures on my trip to Canada, and in these as well as on every other possible occasion, I have endeavored to emphasize the opportunities in Canada for any one with sufficient pluck and enterprise."

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Beef Cattle Market

Good Prices Are Secured For Prime Beef

J. T. McCallum, of Melita, Manitoba, last month sold 24 head of prime beef grade blooded and Hereford steers at prices ranging from \$10.50 to \$12 per hundred pounds to a Winnipeg buyer. The same buyer purchased 10 Aberdeen Angus steers from George Tall, a well known breeder, of Warren, Manitoba, for \$11.50 per hundred weight. These steers averaged 625 per cent. They were purchased last October for \$2.50 per hundredweight. At that time they weighed 1,015 pounds each but had increased on farm growth to 1,508 pounds at time of slaughter. The grand average car lot at the Calgary and Edmonton spring shows was sold at \$15, per hundredweight. These were Hereford and were raised by W. F. Fleming, of Calgary.

Kind Old Gent: How old are you, my little man?

Small Boy (tensely): Eight.

"And what are you going to be?"

"Nine."

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Smart Sports Attire

Smart, sporting and practical. A wide band gives the desired snugness through the hips and a slight blowing to bodice. The French V-front adds length to figure. Design 324 combines printed and plain, georgette crepe. Printed silk crepe, two surface of crepe satin, wool crepe, angora jersey and cotton tulle crepe, are most suggestions. Pattern comes in sizes 16, 18, 20 years, 20, 22, 24 and 44-inches bust measure. The 36-inch skirt requires 2 1/2 yards of 40-inch material with a yard of 26-inch contrasting. Price 35 cents the pattern.

Smart Fashion Book, illustrating the newest and most practical styles, will be of interest to every home dressmaker. Price of the book 10 cents the copy.

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Building Elevators Rapidly

A new grain elevator every two days has been the record established by the Manitoba Wheat Pool since building operations began this spring. Close to eighty new elevator plants have been organized this year, and new elevators will be erected in many of them. In building these Manitoba Wheat Pool Elevators over three hundred men divided into fourteen crews are employed.

CANADIAN ORATORY CONTEST



For the second year in succession, the Canadian Oratory Championship, held at Toronto Arena, attracted a phenomenally vast audience, numbering nearly ten thousand. These photographs show, at the left, Wm. Fox, Jun., of De La Salle School, London, Ont., declared champion of Canada by the judges, who numbered five, one nominated by each of the participating provinces. Upper right, Miss Sarahbell Mathison, of Duke University, High School, New Westminster, B.C., who was declared second, and lower right, Miss Alice Mue, of the Roblin Consolidated School, Dauphin, Manitoba, who came third. The other contestants were Miss Margaret Kianey, of Victoria High School, Edmonton, and Edith Smith, of Pownall, P.E.I. Fox gets a free trip to Europe after which he will represent Canada in the international contest at Washington.

Farmers' Profitable Venture

Farmers Of Manitoba Own Creamery Valued At \$200,000

Since the Manitoba Co-operative Dairies, Ltd., Winnipeg, began operations in 1921, it has returned to its farmer patrons in interest and bonuses in cash or credit, nearly \$75,000, according to a recent report by the management. During the same time the members of the association have subscribed and paid for capital stock in the organization to the amount of \$77,262. Thus the farmers of Manitoba own the creamery and its equipment, valued at \$80,000, and have received returns practically covering their investment. At the same time they have received better prices for their butterfat, and the quantity of butter produced has increased from about 500,000 pounds in 1921 to 1,627,000 pounds in 1927.

Judge: "So you and your wife had a fight?"

"Yes." "How would you like to go to jail?"

Underlined Husband: "Oh, very much, sir."

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In Old Quebec

Quaint Part Of Dominion Where Modern Customs And Ancient Customs Unite

On the banks of the Richelieu, one of the largest of the tributaries of the St. Lawrence, is a busy modern town whose past history and present commerce link Canada with the West. This is the town of Sorel, which gives its name to a new map sheet of the National Topographic series issued by the Geographical Survey of the Department of the Interior on a scale of one mile to the inch.

Sorel, now noted for its shipbuilding yards, was for a long time the summer residence of the Governors of Canada. Here too stood Fort Richelieu, now commemorated by a cairn, tablet, and fence. This fort, first built in 1672, was rebuilt in 1685 by Captain Pierre de Bore, a French engineer, under orders from the Marquis de Tracy. Leading to it was the waterway from the English colonies on the Atlantic seaboard by way of the Richelieu River, Lake Champlain and the Hudson River. In those early days it was the favorite warway of the Iroquois. Now it is the highway for the export to the United States of lumber and on the low lying marshy islands of the St. Lawrence in front of Sorel, and also of pulp wood.

"The Sorel map sheet is pleasing to the eye, and its features are sharply defined in various colors. The routes of the north and south shore Montreal-Quebec highways shown on the map in red are cut out by secondary thoroughfares blocked in yellow. The way of these latter is shown in the Laurentides. These are the well-known paths of the pleasure-seeker, the hunter and the fisherman. Good local roads outlined in blue cross the country in every direction. Bordering them are the uniformly pinkish farms of Quebec. The washed dwellings and outbuildings are also shown on the map, lend picturesque to an otherwise rather flat landscape. The country is relieved by patches of heavy woods and thinner wooded areas.

"The town of Sorel across the St. Lawrence from Sorel is part of an old seigneurie granted to the Seigneur de la Rivière du Loup, 1672, from him acquired by the Marquis de Berthier, an officer of the Carignan regiment. A relic of seigneurial times survives in the Commune de Berthier on the St. Lawrence where the people still claim patent privileges for their stock. Partly in ruins, but still standing on the Berthier seigneurie, is one of the oldest Protestant Churches in the province. A forest nursery, in connection with which is a forest ranger's school, is located in the vicinity of the town.

Famed for having the largest linen factory in the world, Joliette is situated on the Rivière L'Assomption. The city was named after the explorer, Louis Joliette. Commercially it is also important as a manufacturing center for tobacco, paper and lumber.

Along the St. Lawrence here and there are stone houses with thatched roofs, while nestling villages grow around a church and rectory vary the scenery inland.

The Sorel district is obtained from the Surveyor General, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, upon application and payment of twenty-five cents. The map may also be had on linen back or in folder cover in either English or French for fifty cents.

Indignant Householder (holding up a dead cat): Here, constable, just what I found in your house. What are you going to do about it?

Constable: Well, you know the law, mum. If it ain't chimed in six months, it's yours!

Baldheaded Man—"Give me a shampoo."

Barber—"Sorry, but I'm just out of facial soap sir."

Balaia gum from the milky juice of the balata tree is used in making rubber tubing.



"My husband only married me for my money."

"Then he is not so stupid as he looks."—Fleischbein Blatter, Munich.

W. N. D. 1728

REASON SASKATCHEWAN IMPORTS POTATOES

Home Grown Product Below Average Grade Say Dealers

It seems difficult to credit in a fertile province like Saskatchewan that dozens upon dozens of carloads of potatoes are imported during a year. This does not happen because Saskatchewan does not produce sufficient for its own needs, but because the potatoes are not of the quality which the average run of the home grown product. We have it direct from those who grow them and from Dominion government vegetable inspectors, that the Saskatchewan farmer has not yet learned the way to market potatoes.

During the past year forty-one cars of potatoes were consumed in the city of Regina alone and of that ten cars only were purchased in the province, the remainder coming from Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia. It is claimed that the Chinese of British Columbia can be depended upon to put up uniform carloads of potato bag of 150 pounds in weight and the bags are alike, so are the contents. A carlot, strictly graded "Canada 1" can be ordered from British Columbia and the buyer can depend upon his order being filled. On the other hand, a carlot of Saskatchewan potatoes, such as we ourselves have seen unloaded in Regina, may be described as "nondescript." Tied and whited, small bags and some future time potato growers will be difficult to be deciphered.

While we should ascribe to the production of "A" class potatoes, the "B" class "Canada 2" is easily within reach of any grower interested in raising potatoes and is as follows: "Canada B" quality, which includes only reasonably mature potatoes of similar varietal characteristics which are practically free from blight, and which are free from serious damage caused by sunburn, cuts, scab, blight, dry rot or other causes. The diameter of potatoes of this grade shall not be less than one and one-half inches."

Agricultural societies could, no doubt, exert interest in this subject. It is a matter of good seed, careful production, and improved marketing. In this latter sphere, the Provincial Department of Agriculture, through the Co-operation and Markets Branch, would assist. The lesson decided many of the young shepherds to do the necessary surgery at the age of eight or ten days, when the tail is shorter, bleeds very little when removed, and gives the lamb very little shock.

The Arctic Circle is the only place in the world exempt from lightning and thunder.

People Have Not Yet Learned the Best Method

The fact there is considerable unemployment during prosperous times is due to the fact that the methods of working we have earned more time for pay, but have not yet learned how to use it. When three-fourths of the people can do all the work that needs to be done in the country, it means that all of the people are in position to work one-fourth less than they once did, but somehow the leisure isn't divided up evenly. Some are out of work, some do not work, they might be classed among the idle, and others are still determined to work from sun to sun. The human element will keep conditions from being perfect. We people are in better shape to be happy than ever before, if we only had a manager to tell us how to go about it.

A Synthetic Diet

Sir Alfred Mott prophesies that one day synthetic food and drink will be made by chemists in factories. There will be no need to till soil, to breed cattle, to brew beer, to distill whisky, or to import wine. We will sip chemical cocktails. We will breathe synthetic tablets and dine on pellets. Already synthetic vitamins are being prescribed by doctors in the form of pills. We can then smugly and unashamedly claim that we are in the vanguard of the prospect of a laboratory race of men. A synthetic diet is fit only for robots.

The Beauty Of Red Pine

The pine is one of the most beautiful trees in Canada for ornamental planting. Its great masses of long dark-green, closely bunched needles contrast strikingly with the reddish colour of the bark on its straight ragged trunk. It is a splendid tree for drives, borders, and lawns of large grounds.

The royal scepter of Great Britain contains the largest cut diamond in the world.

Lady—"Is this milk fresh?"

Milkman—"Art an hour ago, mum."

NORMAN F. NORTH,

Superintendent of the Canadian National Railway, Hornepayne, who became Superintendent at Port Arthur on May 1.

Tailing the Lambs

Operation Should Be Performed At The Age Of Eight Or Ten Days

It is not unusual to find amongst the members of Boys' and Girls' Sheep Clubs an aversion towards the seeming cruelty of removing the tails of the young lambs, with the result that the tailing process is put off for perhaps a month after it should be done. By this time the tails have grown stout and the lambs more difficult to handle, and when the operation has finally to be undertaken the surgery assumes a more troublesome aspect.

At a shearing contest held jointly by the Federal and Provincial Department of Agriculture and the Middlesex County Boys' and Girls' Sheep Clubs, the lambs of the flock were used for a tailing and vetting demonstration. The operation was three or four weeks overdue and provided an impressive lesson on the importance of removing these appendages at the proper age. The older lambs had to have their tails tightly corded close to the body to prevent bleeding, and when released after the operation many of these showed evidence of shock and illness. The cords were to be removed the following morning when danger of bleeding would have passed, and the wound would have to be treated for a few days to hasten the healing process. The lesson decided many of the young shepherds to do the necessary surgery at the age of eight or ten days, when the tail is shorter, bleeds very little when removed, and gives the lamb very little shock.

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Ireland's new postal cards are printed in both Irish and English.

102,000 Play "Langara"

Walter Hagen, professional champion, pulled out against local professional and amateur players.



Over eleven thousand players have toured the new Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Golf Course "Langara," at South Vancouver, B.C. since the first of the year. It was announced by J. B. McCadden, the manager of the Club, who states that from January 1st to March 31st, no less than 11,243 persons have played over the course.

Every day, Mr. McCadden states, this all-weather golf course, with its well watered and broad fairways and its super-sized broad greens, gains in popularity, and since July 1st, 1928, when "Langara" was thrown open for public play, approximately 102,000 have played the course. "Langara," which is the home of the "Glen Glady" Club, placed third in the Inter-Club Competition last year, has been played over by most

ALMOST PAY FOR THEMSELVES

Use Of Fingerprints System Saves Time and Money

In real life New Scotland Yard is a little more astute than in detective stories, where the lawyer lays aside his brief and the doctor his stethoscope to beat the inspector at his own game. The authorities at the Yard, for instance, are making fingerprints almost pay for themselves, something that the amateur detective can do only by writing a note in competition with the great Pteriotus factory.

Records of fingerprints were first made by Scotland Yard in July, 1901. In 1902 almost 7,000 searches and comparisons were made and more than 1,700 fingerprints identified. Last year more than 35,000 searches were made, and more than 17,000 fingerprints identified. A recent manual issued by Scotland Yard goes on to say:

"The number of recognitions effected is not the only test by which the advantages of the system can be estimated. It has brought about a marked saving of time of police officers. On a narrative compilation the many value of the saving thus effected covers the cost of the establishment for working in method and all incidental expenses."

Scotland Yard now has on the 120,000 fingerprint slips. The slips of men known to be dead and the slips of men believed to be too old to commit further crimes, are being removed from the collection. The English police expect the collection to reach its greatest size for purposes of criminal identification within the next year, and thereafter to remain about the same level. When that time comes it will mean that the fingerprint system has been completely assimilated and is no longer a new comer or an apprenticeship helper of the police.

Assets Of Universities

Four Western Canada Universities Have Assets Valued At \$15,287,273

The total assets of Canada's 23 universities are placed at \$15,287,273. Nearly one-third of this total is held by McGill University, Montreal, founded in 1821. McGill's assets are given as \$28,124,538 of which \$18,749,968 are in investments and \$9,374,570 in lands, buildings and equipment.

The four universities in Western Canada have total assets valued at \$15,287,273.

While about 38 per cent. of the 42,548 students attending the 23 Canadian universities are women, only about nine per cent. or 382 of the 4,263 professors on the teaching staffs are of the fair sex.

Stanza: "Yes, I have met your wife. In fact, I knew her before you married her."

Jones: "Ah, that's where you got the advantage of me—I didn't!"

Age, when it follows a decently spent life, is freer from worries and anxieties than any other period. The first half of life is consumed in the struggle for existence, and the second half is a period of rest and ease.

The fading of illusions need not mean loss of faith, and cynicism. Rather, it means being merely a clearer, more honest acceptance of the facts of life. And that is always the way to peace of mind.

Do not fear age. Look forward to it with comfort.—Grove Patterson.

Value Of Farm Production

Average Production Value Per Farm In Three Western Provinces Placed At \$3,233

The total value of the farm production in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in 1927 according to a recent compilation is placed at \$92,267,600, which represents an average value per farm of \$3,233. Agricultural production in these three provinces marketed last year had a value of \$612,885,944, an average cash income per farm home of \$2,408. Wheat headed the list in the value of farm products with \$407,096,000 with a total production of \$419,819,000 bushels. Next came other grains with \$64,224,900 bushels valued at \$148,001,000. Root crops, 11,788,000 cwt. value \$10,346,000; fodder crops \$7,733,000; value \$60,585,000; dairy products, value \$24,426,213; animals sold and slaughtered, \$40,873,000; poultry and poultry products, \$28,149,917; and \$1,713,000. The value of the farm production in 1927 is given as: Manitoba, \$24,426,213; Alberta, \$22,581,579; Manitoba, \$134,585,180.

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Station Within Arctic Circle

Murmansk, Russia, Is Most Northern Spot Reached By Railroad

Polynarky Krug, which is situated on polar circle, is on latitude 66 degrees 32 minutes north, just where the Arctic begins. That is why it is the name of a railroad station. This station had to cross the Arctic circle somewhere, which gave the definite location for a station, now grown to a village of two log houses and a brick structure, also of logs, which holds the co-operative store and rooms upstairs for the manager's family.

One place seems as good as another for stations in the wilderness waste of tundra and scrub pine. This is one where name and place were predetermined. If not historical, it has geographical fame—in fact, world fame. There cannot be more than one other, possibly in Sweden, on the Arctic circle with railroad service. Also each of its five inhabitants can tell just what lives in particular degrees and minutes. Probably few more than that in cities figured in millions can say so much.

Too much, on an average of one for every nine miles—clusters of log houses half buried in snow, an occasional huddled family with a refrigerator which has come for supplies from the bleaker waters beyond—follow until Murmansk is reached, 147 miles within the Arctic circle, and the world's northernmost spot reached by railroad. Murmansk is located 68 degrees, 59 minutes, only 44 miles north of Point Barrow, Alaska, the farthest north of the United States.

A new harbor is being built in Murmansk, and in a future red sea may be useful as a base for naval operations.

Youth Not Happiest Age

Peace Of Mind Comes With Acceptance Of Facts Of Life

There are few of us who, in our sentimental moments, do not think we were made to have time to think in his flight and make us boys and girls once again. Eugene Field, carrying with him the spirit of youth to the day of his death, wrote:

"I'd like to sleep where I used to sleep."

When I was a boy—a little boy."

We argued that when we were children we were not quite so happy as we think we were. The sorrows of childhood are exceedingly real. The sorrows of adulthood are less real. Childhood was as unescapable and devastating as they are today. Looking backward, life seems like a long summer afternoon in those golden days. But it wasn't. With conscience clear and mind at rest with the conscious world, we are as well as we can. We know, the chance for happiness today is as good as any of us as it was in childhood.

Under the happiest period of our life, when it follows a decently spent life, is freer from worries and anxieties than any other period. The first half of life is consumed in the struggle for existence, and the second half is a period of rest and ease.

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Culture of the West

Hon. William Phillips Is Impressed With Conditions In Western Canada

The United States Minister at Ottawa has made a tour of Western Canada, and, like most of those who have visited that half of the Dominion with their eyes open, he comes back profoundly impressed with the evidence of progress and of the spirit of optimism he found there. For a remarkably changed material development of the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia has been passed within thirty years ago, but he was no doubt prepared, for the transformation in that respect appears to have been beyond his expectations. With it seems not to have looked for in the advanced culture of the West. In education, in applied science, in arts and letters, in the general cultivation of taste, and in all that makes for the refinement of life, the Canadian West has at least kept pace with its own march as a wealth producer. We are all too much inclined to take it for granted that a young community, striding across the continent, is a constant yield of the products of the soil, and expending the volume of diversified trade and industry, so too latent upon money-making to spare time for matters of a higher strain. The Canadian West has not been neglected of the grace and of the things of the spirit. The winter of Western Canada is a fostering nurse of the human mind. It is the season in which the great Canadian personality is to a great extent suspended, and people accordingly have time on their hands. They can and must together be able to enjoy the works of the great writers and the great composers, and the performances of the best actors, and can meet together in charming social intercourse. Mr. Phillips found Western Canada to be a country of the highest type of people, among whom culture has reached a high level and is spreading more and more. He will be able to tell his fellow-countrymen that the prairie country is no wild and woolly west, but is the seat of a fine people.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

Telephone and Telegraph

Exchange Of Facilities Is Under Consideration In Alberta

Ways and means for working out an exchange of facilities between the Alberta Government telephone system and the telegraph companies are at present under consideration and a conference on the subject of the matter was held recently between W. O. Robb, vice-president of the Canadian National Railways, and R. H. Baxter, deputy minister of telephones. Mr. Robb is referring the question to the head office of the C.N.R. telegraphs and it is likely that a working agreement will result. Under the proposed plan the wires of the provincial telephone system will be made use of by the telegraph company, in certain parts of the province. For the transmission of telegraphic messages, while the privilege of using telegraph lines for stringing telephone lines will be accorded in other cases, by way of exchange. A similar arrangement is in some parts of the province already working between the telephone service and the C.P.R. telegraphs.

Just Select Samples

Farmer John Glos sent his young son on into the miller's with a sample of his crop of wheat.

"This is splendid wheat young man," he murmured to the farmer's son. "I'd like to buy it from your father. How much has he got like this do you think?"

"Oh, much," said the boy. "He spent all the morning picking that out."

Grain Shipments To Vancouver About 50,000,000 bushels of grain have been shipped via Calgary to Vancouver since the beginning of the 1927 crop season, so local inspectors show. This is about double the quantity shipped in the corresponding period of 1926.

It is by that much an increase over the previous record.

Value Of Farm Production

Average Production Value Per Farm In Three Western Provinces Placed At \$3,233

The total value of the farm production in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in 1927 according to a recent compilation is placed at \$92,267,600, which represents an average value per farm of \$3,233. Agricultural production in these three provinces marketed last year had a value of \$612,885,944, an average cash income per farm home of \$2,408. Wheat headed the list in the value of farm products with \$407,096,000 with a total production of \$419,819,000 bushels. Next came other grains with \$64,224,900 bushels valued at \$148,001,000. Root crops, 11,788,000 cwt. value \$10,346,000; fodder crops \$7,733,000; value \$60,585,000; dairy products, value \$24,426,213; animals sold and slaughtered, \$40,873,000; poultry and poultry products, \$28,149,917; and \$1,713,000. The value of the farm production in 1927 is given as: Manitoba, \$24,426,213; Alberta, \$22,581,579; Manitoba, \$134,585,180.

It was played last year the first Pacific Coast Newspapermen's Golf Tournament which has ever taken place at Vancouver. The attendance was 75, and competitors came from as far south as Los Angeles.

Langara is 3,450 yards in length and has a par of 72.

Hungary is to have a college for painters. The course will be four years. For entrance a high school education will be necessary.

Don't think because it's hotter late than never that it isn't better never late.

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July 2, Monday, is a public holiday.

Frank Scott left on Tuesday morning for Calgary.

July 4, next Wednesday, is Empress sports day. It is expected that there will be an extra large attendance this year.

Mrs. F. Scott and Mrs. S. Pawlak, are visiting at the homes of their parents at Leduc, Alta.

A very large number of Empress citizens attended the Sports at Blindfold, Wednesday.

A very heavy rainstorm, accompanied by a little hail, visited the country north of town, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drader, and family left on Tuesday morning for Lacombe, near to which town they hope to establish their new home. Citizens and friends will wish them every happiness in their new surroundings.

Rev. and Mrs. N. W. Whitmore, and daughter, Margie, left on Wednesday for Wainwright, Alta. Mr. Whitmore taking over the pastoral duties of the United Church there. They carry with them the well wishes of this community, both town and country, for their future well-fare and happiness in their new location.

With the frequent rains which have been visiting the district, all crops are making splendid progress. Everywhere there are fields of beautiful green grain. Lots of people are of the opinion that the stands are just as good, if not better than last year.

While fetching a few tools that had been left on the girders of the new Rosedale Ferry bridge, A. Plaxton, an employee of the Dominion Bridge Com-

pany, of Winnipeg, had his hands struck by a boom, resulting in the loss of seven fingers. Plaxton was carrying out the final clean up prior to the bridge gang leaving the district when the accident occurred.—News, Drumheller

"The Road To The City"

The Abbey Players presented their four-act comedy drama, "The Road to the City," to a small audience, Monday night. Car trouble, delaying the arrival of some of the players, probably affected the attendance. The story deals with a scoundrel who is leading a double life as a gentleman burglar. In eluding the police, he gets hurt, and is convalescing at a farm home. He becomes engaged to the eldest daughter of the house, while the younger daughter dislikes him and sees through his disguise of character. Comedy is given to the plot by the country lover of the younger daughter. In a dream the true character of the villain is disclosed to the elder daughter, and she breaks off the engagement and accepts the doctor who has been secretly in love with her.

In the final act the villain and his lady acquiesce, and his lady masquerading as his sister, are arrested by a detective disguised as a la-di-da Englishman. Other characters are the rich old father of the villain, and the widow mother of the girls.

The various characters were well portrayed by each member of the cast, and as amateur artists they are to be congratulated on the excellence of the presentation.

Lost

Oak dining-room arm-chair, seat covered with black leather, on road between Estuary and Empress.—Finder please write John R. Herman, Blindfold.

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FOUND

On June 10, near Eddie Edgins' old farm, one under-arm bag, containing small sum of money, money order receipt, besides other articles, owner may have same by proving property and paying for this adv.—Win. Connell, Connell's Corner, Sask.

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Here and There

(73) The Rocky Mountain Lakes fishing season was opened recently with a catch of a thirty-two pound lake trout by George Andrews of Banff, in Lake Minnewanka. A number of others of not such a great weight were caught by guests of the Banff Springs Hotel.

The month of April was the most successful so far this year from the standpoint of families settled, according to a statement issued by the Canada Colonization Association. During the month 81 families were settled throughout the Dominion on 19,349 acres of land, bringing the total of settlements from the first of the year up to 254 on 46,937 acres.

There are in Alberta today 77,192 farmers who have 834,224 horses in use and 10,235 tractors. In Saskatchewan records show 116,762 farmers with 1,190,564 horses and 24,367 tractors. Manitoba has 51,800 farmers with 356,489 horses and 10,433 tractors. The survey would indicate that while the horse is yet far from being a back number on the Western Canadian farm, the day of the tractor has definitely arrived.

Miss Jean Cameron, who came to her parents from England at the age of four, at ten months was trapping in the district of her father's homestead. Today, at the age of 21, she finds it quite a lucrative and congenial pursuit, and quite opposite to any occupation which would keep her in the city. She follows a trap line within a ten mile radius of her home and her catch includes coyotes, lynx, weasels and fox.

A record passage by a freighter and one that has only been expected is a passenger ship was recently accomplished when the Canadian Pacific Cargo steamer Beaver, bound docked at the Surrey Commercial Docks, London, nine days after leaving Montreal. The trip was the first out of Montreal of one of the new "Beaver" vessels and this record will be clipped by them from twelve to fifteen hours now that the Beavers and vessels of her class are routed via the Straits of Belle Isle.

Seed growing is one of the latest industries of Vancouver Island of steadily increasing importance. Vancouver Island sweet pea seed sells on the English market from three to four shillings per pound more than the California seed. The largest sweet pea seed farm is at Duncan, which produces yearly about two tons. From 15 to 25 women are employed each year to pick, clean and pack the seed, the excellence and high quality of which is becoming world-famous.

All the sport of fishing with a minimum of destruction of fish was realized recently when a party of four members of the Inank Walton League of American enjoyed a fortnight's salmon fishing on the Catus River, New Brunswick. The party took 120 salmon and returned them all to the water except twelve. The fish ranged from 25 pounds to an average of fifteen lbs. and were taken with barbless hooks and streamer flies. Very fine sport was enjoyed but the fish were in no way injured, when returned to their native stream.

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